

SCIVIVE

THESE 9 SECRETS WILL MAKE YOUR LIFE AMAZING
GET RICH, FIND LOVE, LOOK GREAT & LIVE FULFILLED FOREVER

Sort

Feel great right now (xx feel commands)

Wouldn't it feel great to get healthier, stronger and smarter every day?

How would you feel if you stood up straight right now, stretched, breathed in deeply, and thought about how lucky you are to be alive. Right now. Give it a try. Now imagine you have a super power. Everything you tell yourself to do, you'll actually do! Life will be pretty easy from here forward, won't it? You could even tell yourself to enjoy the process. You're on your way to having that power, and much more.

What else might you say to yourself? Eat healthy, sleep well, love yourself, your family, your fellow man - you're off to a good start. The first step is to know that you can give yourself great advice, and you can follow it. The world of happier, healthier people, starts today... With you.

Conversations come and go, some very few change your life forever. This book will change your life. You're about to see the world in a whole new light. A light you'll see while everyone else seems blind to it. The meaning of life, love, wealth, and fortune itself await you in these pages.

How many books have you read and not a single thing in your life got better for it? For a book to have any value past its reading, it must benefit your life after you've closed the cover. If you have to beat yourself up, figuring out how to use the information you get out of a book, it's not a great book. A great book gives you easy to understand and use ideas that make your life better right away. The secrets and strategies you discover in this book will start benefitting your life immediately.

Dreams really do come true (xx jealousy commands)

Have you ever wondered why some people have so much, and others so little? How is it that such a great difference can exist among men in this modern time? It's not an accident. The paths to greatness have followed a similar form for thousands of years. Great things happen to people every day, stack the odds in your favor, and one day people will be looking up to you, wondering how you got so lucky.

Fulfill your destiny (xx cold reading)

If you are reading this page, I already know something great about you. You're the kind of person that knows the future can be brighter. Your future. You believe in yourself. You know there's better and worse ways to do things, and you prefer the better. You like to learn new things, particularly things you'll be able to use. Your entire life has led up to this moment, this turning point, where you found the book that would change your life forever. Today is that day. You will dream the dream, then you will live it! Your life will exceed your wildest dreams.

Why write this book? (Xx show humanity, align values)

(insert content from letter to billionaires, interview with derose. Maximize the greed and minimize risk by restricting the benefits to kids and the worthy.)

What is it people actually want in life? (Xx teasers here)

Scivivng (xx branding, self-reference)

Knowledge isn't power. Intelligent action is power.

Let's be serious. If reading a book on how to get what you wanted was all you needed to do, well by golly, you'd see world full of fulfilled people. Knowledge is but the first step. The

habits built taking correct action are what do the heavy lifting. Knowledge without action is like a car that's run out of gas. It could get you where you want to go and it's nice that you have one, but you need the fuel.

Scivival

Defined

Sciviving: People so fulfilled that they have the time, money, and desire to invest in their families survival.

Scivivors

Our core principles are that life has 9 parts

You: Mind, Body, Spirit

Amplifiers: Money, Power, Respect

Becomes you: Schedule, Environment, Experience

You are what you think, what you feel, and your body. You will become what you do, what surrounds you, and the experiences you have. How fast and how well you become your future self is amplified by the money, power, and relationships you build.

We know that advancements in medicine have the greatest benefits for our loved ones and ourselves. Science is the best tool we have to take mankind to the next level. We fight the reaper on our feet while cowards kneel and pretend that nothing can be done. When the genie grants us wishes, we wish for more wishes.

We know that a life well lived is one of balance, enjoying today to its fullest while preparing for tomorrow. Lucky are we that being happier, healthier and loved adds not only joy to our years, but years to our joy.

Life is Quality x Quantity

Quality

Being the best you, having the best things, relationships and experiences.

Quantity

A great life cut short is tragic.

The system

The systems that helped you into this world and that you may still operate in, education, finance, politics, these things all affect you on a day to day basis.

Their scope however is usually so large and they have so much momentum that they should be focused on separately from the things you can affect quickly and easily in your day to day life. Understanding these larger systems is more important the larger and larger your sphere of influence becomes, because, just like giant ships the size of apartment buildings, there's still a single captain who can turn the wheel and change direction. You may be that captain or have his ear one day. (Xx would be funny to have a picture of someone twisting the captains ear.)

The Magic Lens of Scivival

Splits the light of life into nine different wavelengths you can tune into. Xx (prism image here with life splitting into these parts.) If you want your personality to shine a

pure white light, you need to have all of the colors in balance. When you're out of balance, you tint everything you look at.

A pure white light makes it easier to see everything. Without balance, you will not see things for what they really are, nor people. This is one of many gifts that living as a Scivivalist will give you. You'll be able to see and understand things that most people can't.

(xx the image needs to be broken into the 3 sets of 3, and the sets need names)

Focus	Color	Action	Association
Mind	Green	Think	Grass, the base, the color we see best
Body	Red	Move	Blood pumping
Spirit	Blue	Feel	Moonlight, wonderment
Money	Orange	Buy	Construction, creation
Power	Brown	Strike	Earth, sports
Respect	Pink	Tell	We're all pink on the inside
Time	Cyan	Do	Blue-shift from speed
Environment	Yellow	Synergize	The Sun powers everything
Experience	Magenta	Enjoy	Fulfilment of Body and Spirit

If you know about color mixing, you'll notice interesting things about which colors represent which keys. Try mixing them together or breaking them into parts, For instance Magenta is Red+Blue.

- Xx need to describe what goes in each of the colors, lol)
- Splitting life into 3 sets of 3

while observing the present, the future, and the speed
Eating through the tasty bits of life

You can only focus on so much stuff at a time (chunking). Our brains are a little like our mouths, in that when you want to eat a sandwich, you do it in bites, and if you try to put too much sandwich in a single bite, the chewing stops working, you just lock up. Your brain is a little bit like that, it works most effectively when it's given just the right amount of information to digest. That's why splitting quality of life into 3 groups of 3 is so useful.

3 is a magic number. Think of how many things come in 3's.

The magic of 3's.

We all have height, width and depth. We see color with Red, Green, and Blue light sensing cells in our eyes. We describe sound as the highs, mids, and lows, we describe sizes as small, medium, and large. Even the saying blood sweat and tears was actually blood sweat toil and tears, but we prefer 3's so that's the way we remember it. It's also the least number of walls you need to enclose a space, best sub positioning, seating position, speaker height, seating height in room, 1/3s for photography

Include top middle bottom, and the minimum number of legs to stand something up as 3. Need it to triangulate a signal. Too listeners point the direction they hear it, and point at each other. Make a triangle and you know where the source is. Inch, foot, mile. Past, present, future. Hendriatiris. Input, process, output. Rule of thirds in photography. Pi is basically 3.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rule_of_three_\(writing\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rule_of_three_(writing))

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Isocolon>

tripartite motto.

The appeal of the three-fold pattern is illustrated by the transformation of [Winston Churchill](#)'s reference to "[blood, toil, tears and sweat](#)" (echoing [Garibaldi](#) and [Theodore Roosevelt](#)) in popular recollection to "blood, sweat and tears."^{[20][21]} Similarly, Thomas Hobbes' *Leviathan* describes the importance of community, without which life would be "solitary, poor, nasty, brutish and short". This has been reduced to the commonly heard triad "nasty, brutish and short."

From

Oath by a witness in a US court proceeding is asked to "tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth"

From

Which is similar to the https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_three_Rs
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trivium>
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Triad>
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trichotomy_\(philosophy\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trichotomy_(philosophy))

My list of cool 3's seems to beat Wikipedia's

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/3_\(number\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/3_(number))

Now, you could say that all this 3 magic is a natural consequence of counting starting with 1, which wouldn't be exciting, 2, which I'm sure we could find much samples of cool pairs than triplets. And so 3 is the lowest countable number where more complicated effects start happening, because the pairs can only be so exciting. Rock paper scissors is more fun than just rock paper. Because they're so effective in communicating, math, and building, I think it's worth it to know the power of threes.

We split up the sounds we hear by frequency, high middle low. Hot, cold, good. Dark, bright, good. Loud, quiet, good. Small, medium, large.

We understand the world best in 3's.

Examples

Understanding where things are
It's the best way to locate an idea in space.
We triangulate it. Subject, verb, object. Point, Direction, speed.

Some fun ways to remember the color guide are to notice how you can mix and match some to make others, and associate them with things you like in each subject.

The Symbol of scivival

The 9 points cover with the Scivive center

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enneagram_\(geometry\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enneagram_(geometry))

Scivive is a great name for a movement

It's an action.

The title Scivival is interesting as opposed to other belief items, because it entails the thought of (xx change morality) mortality, the *vival* part kind of clues you in to something that's coming to kill you whether it's someone who doesn't like you so much or the passage of time. I think it's important to differentiate a belief in survival through scientific advancement, and more than just survival we really want to do everything better. You don't want to just have a life that sucks to last longer, you want a great life that lasts longer. (xx meta) I think it's important to differentiate the word scivive from scientology, because they probably don't have any similarity

The meaning of life

Malformed question, quality x time, and nearly everything that increases time also increases quality, so lucky us!

The meaning of life is quality times quantity, it is pretty easy to prove. Also, this an impossible and incomplete question. What is the meaning of bread? Am I hungry, or am I choking on it? Did I steal it, is it moldy? Anyway, there is no such thing as meaning, except what you give it, and perhaps what other entities with power over you give it. Even that changes, what you think about things changes with age, how you've been treated, and how the world has changed. Why do I feel so compelled to venture down the rabbit hole of intuition, superstition and the occult? Because it wastes a shit load of everyone's time. So many people waste so much time in unenjoyable ways, when they could be wasting it in more fun ways.

The emptiness of searching for meaning externally, Xx I think ending of sentence is missing?oo

The system works better when people are different

We are all different, and even more different than these systems would have you believe, and it is not an accident. We are supposed to be different, it's the reason we have sex. In this world, during the course of life's existence there has always been living things that make copies of themselves. The problem with just making a copy of yourself is that it doesn't leave much room for the next generation to be better than you. There is a little bit of change introduced from the inaccurate copying, you could call them mutations. Then sex came along, and the world rejoiced. Sex is a great way to get offspring to have a chance to be better than what came before them. Not only

do you have lots and lots of change, because you're quite literally mixing the blueprints of two entirely (I hope) different people. If you have kids with people biologically related to you, it leads to bad health outcomes for the kids, and in many places is illegal.

With sex, between not biologically related partners, you also get this great effect of both (hopefully) of the partners choosing the traits that they like the most, out of (hopefully) a large pool of potential partners. That, you see, is how you get faster and faster, smarter and smarter, prettier and prettier people as a result of lots and lots of years of everyone choosing their favorites and mixing it up.

Why do I mention all of this about sex in a chapter about categorizing life, so you can kick ass in all its good areas and not miss any through lack of clarity? Because if it is true that we're all different, and it's true that we are supposed to be (species such as humans with wide variations in abilities, desires, and behaviors are vastly superior in survival to one trick ponies, where if the situation changes only a small bit, everyone can get wiped out), if you don't have variation in your species, you are not durable. The world is constantly changing, it's good to be durable. Being an omnivore is fun.

Thus, if it's good that we are all different, if it's good that we are continually more different than what came before us, then it's also good that we don't all have the same needs in the same priority. Therefore, all of the hierarchies of the needs of men, such as Maslow's, are deeply flawed from the start assuming that people are so similar to have the same needs in the same orders as everyone else. I assure you, they do not, which is good news for humanity. Xx Those are just basic needs? I think at least the lowest one is the same for everyone.

If we spent time analyzing how wrong everyone is and has been on everything, we would be here for all time. Much better that we use our short and valuable time together focusing on what works, and not what doesn't work.

Thus, your meaning of life should be slightly different from that of many other people. There is robustness for the system through diversity of opinion and behavior.

Failed philosophies (xx us vs them)(xx tread lightly with shit talk, better to append than replace)

Xx Most philosophers weren't very successful

Philosophy and most other *ity's* and *ism's* do not pay the profits

to their followers that they should. This is because the questions they attempt to answer are usually totally useless to you. If you like, or dislike capitalism, what say have you regarding its deployment in the world? If you like or dislike man's relationships with the companies that employ him, as much of Marxism is concerned with, what can you do with that belief?

Most books appear more useful than they are

Specific advice benefits the reader more at the cost of the writer

Some "advice guys" are afraid to give you specific advice, they like to leave their market appeal broad by being vague in what they tell you. I prefer to tell you the truth. I'll tell you what's good for you where I can, at the cost of cool points.

Whoever influences you first sets your bias.

As a young man, you come in to this world being influenced from all angles.

Many great men have been forced into greatness because of harsh circumstances. Life is a many splendored thing. Often times what you thought was a curse turns out to be a blessing. All of us have the fortune of misfortune. The most respected and successful people in this world have always had one or more hardships early in life. If you were to find someone who you thought had no hardship, upon questioning them, you'd likely find they found discomfort in an area you may never have thought of, or not even approve of, but was real for them.

We stand on the backs of giants

We speak languages we didn't invent, and travel on roads we didn't pave. So too are most of the thoughts we have handed down to us, without needing to invent them ourselves. Ism's and ity's give us paths to follow, and billions do. The playbooks and perspectives of organizing the world into parts, and suggested actions on those parts, are quite few really.

Philosophy, and communism, capitalism, marxism, are all interesting ways to see the world, however ultimately not very useful to you, as they don't really answer the more important questions. What do YOU do. What can you do better to get what you want out of life.

Paths laid out for us

Inside of all of us there is a circuitry, which has served our ancestors for thousands upon thousands of years. It is with you today because it works. Nature tends to get rid of things that don't work. Oddly, nature tends to get rid of everything over time. We should make that another chapter called "99 percent of everything that has ever existed is permanently extinct". It's an amazing fact really. Ok, back to the circuitry.

Remember earlier in this fine book I told you that when you come into the world, you are influenced from all angles. Those angles are not only external. They are internal to you as well, both mental and chemical. The influence of heredity, custom, location, it all leaves a mark. When I travel the world, people easily hear that I'm American by the way that I speak. They have preconceived notions about what it means to be American, how Americans act, and of what use we are. If you wanted to ask someone how to make great tea, you'd likely rather ask an Englishman as its much more popular there. If you wanted to know how to throw a football, you'd be better off asking an American.

The influence of your parents, geography, language, skin color, education, natural abilities and talents will all play a role on how you turn out in life. Here's the most interesting part, the most interesting part of all. Not all of those things put together, the entire mass of all of it, will ever compare to your drive. A driven man can overcome great adversity and sometimes even become a hero.

There is a special place in our souls for the role of hero. When we see someone do something amazing, in the Olympics or on the battlefield or at home, there's a calling to some part of us that wants to greatly reward them and rejoice, because they brought something into reality we've so often dreamt of. Even if not conscious, some part of us knows that what they did was great and we should smile and stand tall in admiration.

As it stands, I'd say my favorite quote of all time is "Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent.

Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan Press On! has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race."

A lot of people that haven't read the *The Art of War* like to shit talk it, because they say that everyone that reads it tries to turn everything else into war so the learning of the book can be applied. If people that read it are misproperly applying it, then sure. In reality, what you will find out is that the conflicts that exist in war also exist outside of war. Just as *Shakespeare* might say something along the lines of "to thy ownself be true", may be biblical as well. If you google the phrase "Know thy Enemy", you will come up with *Sun Tzu*, the 2500 year old book, and that phrase has been adapted through the centuries, many many centuries.

Originally it was "*If you know thyself, with every battle you will also have a loss. If you know thyself and your enemy, you can fight a hundred battles without a loss. If you know the enemy but not thyself, you will also lose a fair amount of your battles.*" How knowing yourself and your enemy has to be war, I don't really believe is the case. I think that knowing yourself can exist in all formats that are not war. I think that knowing the other thing which is the thing you are pushing against, which might not be another conscious actor, it might be the cold, it might be laziness, it might be cooking food properly. Every good story is pushed against some weight. Therefore the statement "Know thyself & thy enemy" is super useful in all contexts, particularly those outside of war. Now much of what he said is probably a lot easier adapted for war-like use, however, my point is the reason that book has lasted for 2500 years as a great book to read and get advice from isn't because we are all warriors and generals and constantly at war, it's because it's universally bad ass and good useful advice in a lot of things that are not war, because conflict and strategy and effort are required in nearly all important areas of life.

What an absolutely fantastic quote! This quote is around 100 years old. It's funny how good advice really never expires. If you care to look, you can find great advice that is literally thousands of years old. Still good!

(*xx Maybe what's actually most important to you isn't the cool novel shit that I came up with that makes me feel my book is valid, maybe what you need is the basic shit that got me to the position where I could build those ideas. Maybe that same basic shit gets you at a position where you can build and give back. I.e. don't be so in love with the ideas you built after you achieved, pay homage to the ideas that allowed you to achieve as well. The precedent ideas.)(xx actionable, verify that precedent generic useful ideas aren't forgotten because you internally value more all the *new to you, or generated by you ideas.)

Every path gets taken

People will follow all the paths, advertise more good paths to outcompete the bad ones
When you understand the whole system, when you see the earth as a tiny blue dot, you can play in the game when you want, and you can be ok with not playing the game, because you know what all the endings of the game look like

ALL paths shall be followed, even fake ones you made up for shits and giggles, so spamming good ones is a great idea, it's a contact sport (James Randi fake mystic creation story, the curse of the scammed xx what specifically did he call it)

Stockpiling food and ammunition feels great but doesn't pay off

Survivalists and preppers spend lots of time and money on things that rarely pay off. The survivalists of the 50's prepared for a Russian invasion, then got killed by the same boring stuff that killed most of their ancestors. You're much more likely to die with a whimper than a bang these days.

Book's design (xx me me rap)

Artful beats accurate

It was interesting to me when I decided to do things less accurately, but felt better. For instance, including spirit as a section. The way most people would understand spirit is as something that is beyond them, past them, deeper than them. It's beyond personality, it's beyond behavior. I don't believe in that shit, but since I know everyone else does to such a great degree, I'm going to be inaccurate and I'm going to use spirit. But, I'm not going to use it the way that they do. I'm going to say it's the emotions and drives that drive you, which most people would probably put under mind, but it's close enough to ephemeral and artsy-fartsy and ghostlike that they'll probably also accept it under spirit.

It was interesting to me that I made the decision to choose feels good, emotionally compelling and easier to digest instead of more accurate, alien and off-putting and less likely to execute and do. Today, I'm proud to say that I made a logical extension to support that decision, which I'm proud enough of to make a recording now. If you must choose between accuracy and feels good, and the feels good is about 80 % as accurate as the super accurate, you should definitely go with the feels good because in the grand scheme of things, these are not recipes that will be followed to the letter. People will only perform a very, very, very, very small – less than 1 % subset – of the shit that you tell them to do.

If you make a small adjustment for the sake of being able to remember, transmit or being sticky or feeling better about it, or addressing or synchronizing with a common parable that people believe in, such as "there's no free lunch" or "time heals all wounds" – euphemisms like that, then you're better off doing it, because they're unlikely to execute the specific thing that you weren't 100% accurate on. Therefore, the things that they were more likely to execute on, which is the other 99% of stuff you're enhancing by not alienating with unspecific language or overly specific language that has no heart and no feel and take, and stops them and makes them thing for a long time instead of just continuing the digestion train, the yes train, the rapport. Breaking rapport for no good reason is a bad strategy. Xx Paragraph needs revising, sentences are too long

If you can't say something simply, you don't understand it well enough. Simplicity is power.

Most people are beginners

I think that most people haven't completed reading any self-help material, let alone most of the classics in it, so let's not just assume they are where you are, and that they don't need to know what you already take for granted.

Most people don't follow their own advice, let alone yours

If I wrote a book that said eat healthy, brush your teeth, exercise, no one would read it.

What people want to read is the shit they have not heard a million times. The ideas that you have to hear about are novel, unique, outrageous, and thus it makes a book worth reading.

The best books are magnifying glasses, their value is all the things they don't show.

The most important part of writing a book isn't to present all the data you have on a thing. In an ideal world, where one has a shitload of memory and a shitload of Internet access – they already have access to everything in the world. What they need from you is less, not

more. They don't need more data, they need less data. You need to refine and hone their limited attention span on something that is truly beneficial to them, not to tell them a million things to confuse the fucking issue. Bruce Lee: "I fear not the man who has practiced 10,000 kicks once, but I fear the man who has practiced one kick 10,000 times."

Get more out of the book (xx open mind, focus on results)

Demand results from your study of this work

A book is as good as the actions you take from it and by proxy the actions others may take from it through the ideas passing through you. If I wrote a book where you would follow the instructions without all the convincing filler text, would it be the greatest book?

Demand more from your life. Low expectations are the father of regret. If all your dreams came true instantly, what would your life look like? Specifically. Set a new standard. Dream the dream. Live the dream. In this world, you're either making your dreams come true, or someone else's.

Take Responsibility, Own your future

This is meant to change your life, to improve the actions you take. This is not meant to add to the long list of things you know you should do that you know you're not doing.

Life Schedule

You're only awake 16 hours a day. Now subtract out all the hours where you have to be doing something. How many hours are left? 3? This is your free time. Choose wisely how you spend these precious few hours.

Prioritization

Deadlines

If your schedule hasn't changed when you finish this book, read it again, because you're only going to get the improvement you want in your life when it's scheduled and acted on.

You never step in the same river twice. It changes, and over time, so do you.

When you read with a result in mind, you notice and remember the parts that are most important for you to remember. Scivive offers something different to each person that reads it. Everyone is at a different place in their journey. As you progress, you'll see that it adds new meaning to parts that didn't seem so special to you the first time around.

A real conversation is the highest aspiration of a well written book

Most books are nothing like a conversation. In a conversation of equals, you listen at least as much as you speak. The dazed look on one of your faces easily lets you know when you need to spend more time explaining something. Sometimes you can feel what's going on inside your conversation partner's mind. You can see his mouth eager and waiting for a pause, any pause will do, to add to the conversation. A conversation where everyone is learning and building is a beautiful thing. The book is a mere two dimensional representation of such a glorious event.

If what you have to say is important enough to make into a book, then it is surely important enough to be written in a language your audience understands. If you want to have a good time speaking with teenagers, the elderly, hippies and CEO's, you'd better learn to speak a few different *languages*. I truly believe that if you speak to a man as his friend, interested in what he is interested in, you can share a great bond.

Since I'm not with you now to ask you personally about the things you care about, we're going to have to settle for you choosing your own adventure. You can leave the parts of this

conversation that are least important to you for last. What we're going to cover together in this book is so broad and touches so many people in so many places, that it can be seen from hundreds of perspectives. I'm quite sure where one person finds an idea exciting, another will be enraged. What could be more fun!

An open mind learns better, there's time to argue after

Greatest profit in controversial things

We deal in controversial things, for those are the things that have the most profit. The more people that are doing a thing wrong, the more profit there is in changing to doing it right. Sadly, people doing things wrong usually think they're doing them right, and perhaps better than everyone else. Telling people what they're doing wrong, and how to do it better usually pisses them off.

Find freedom by not becoming the devil's advocate

We're lucky enough when we meet someone who is not only passionate about that which they speak but perhaps even knowledgeable as well. We would obviously want to impress such a person speaking to us, so as to be worth of the conversation. What are the most common ways you've seen this happen yourself? You can't very well repeat back the same ideas that were just given to you, you might come up with a novel idea that could add to his, however, he's likely more knowledgeable and been thinking about it for longer, which may be why he brought the topic up in the first place. It would be the most impressive thing that could be done, if you could construct on top of his idea and make it stronger.

There is an easy way though, a shortcut to feeling important - destruction! Let him know why he's wrong. Let him know why it won't work, shouldn't work, can't work. This is great stuff, where in the original conversation, if you only added a small icing on his idea cake, you'd seem only to be an accessory. Now that you disagree with him, you are his equal or greater! Screw the quest for truth, that pays off only after many days, feeling important pays off right now! Think about the last time you tried to explain to someone that they were doing something wrong, and remember the mental gymnastics you might have witnessed. It takes a great man to skip the easy route, bide their time in silence, thinking of something great to add. When the gambit pays off, and you can construct with your speaking buddy instead of disagreeing, friendships are made.

Imagine how many different ways there are to believe about a thing. Take for instance bicycles. Some people absolutely hate it when they're driving, and yet another silly bicycle is so damn close to his side view mirror that it looks like they'll hit each other, what stress. Bikes are the enemy. Yet another chance to throw my life away, if I nudge this flimsy human with my car, he'll likely sprawl into 100 pieces and I'll spend the rest of my days in prison. Now, from the bicyclist's perspective, why would I waste money on gas and a car, and car insurance, when I need to exercise for my health anyway? Why not save the environment, my wallet and my heart and bicycle to work! If I run over someone with my bike instead of my car, it's likely there will be no fatalities or jail time involved, too. Two people with two different perspectives, which one is right? Perhaps both at different times?

These kinds of very hard to square wars of perspective are happening all the time. Imagine how much easier it is to find disagreement instead of construction on ideas.

We humans are very interesting, in that we're very good at not understanding things, when we don't want to. There's a couple old sayings that encompass the idea pretty well. 1. You cannot wake a man pretending to sleep. 2. *It is difficult to get a man to understand something, when his salary depends upon his not understanding it!* Why must this be mentioned? Because sometimes, we are that man. Anyone who has ever changed his mind about something was likely not happy to hear someone disagreeing with them at the start of the conversation. Once we've changed our mind about something, we quickly forget how strongly we used to believe in the other direction. No one likes to think that they were ever wrong, and likely even less, that they'll be wrong again sometime soon.

You're going to get the most out of this book, and life, if you find ways to squeeze the knowledge out where it's useful, and focus on learning and becoming more powerful at the expense of the bravado of disagreement. If the need for disagreement becomes too hard to bear, boot up good old YouTube, and comment your anger away, as I think everyone else does these days :)

Are you the type of person that is good at learning new things? What is the maximum amount that you can agree with what I'm saying? Think about how much you have actually used or changed based on all the books you have read in your life. Do you think that you should get more out of them? What could you do to get the most out of this book for yourself?